Homegoing Celebration

Mother Katie Sue Calaway

"Ma"



Sunrise: May 4, 1918 Sunset: February 2, 2013

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Service Held

Saturday, February 9, 2013 -11:00 A.M.

Bethel Temple Pentecostal Church
3429 Cutting Blvd., Richmond, CA 94804
Pastor BillyR. Wydermyer

Pastor Willie Coleman, Officiating

Our Family Matriarch

Mother Katie Sue Calaway

Scroll of Life

Katie Sue Jackson-Calaway was born May 4, 1918 to Rosie Lee Sandifer-Jackson and Jimmy Jackson in Prescott, Arkansas. Katie Sue was one of 12 Children (10 who preceded her in death). Katie Sue married her loving and devoted husband, Nathaniel Calaway Sr. (who preceded her in death) and they were blessed with 5 children.

Katie Sue and family moved to California in 1947. She was employed with the Richmond Shipyard in Richmond, CA as an Assembly worker, also known as "Rosie the Riveter" (women working during World War II). Katie Sue was also employed with Del Monte Cannery as a seasonal worker for 20+ years.

She was an endearing worker in her community. She was a caregiver by nature and would provide food and housing for anyone in need. She was active with the Richmond Parent Teacher Association (PTA), worked with the March of Dimes, Muscular Dystrophy Foundation and also volunteered as a Census Taker for the city of Richmond. She was blessed to live to see our 1st African American President, Barack Obama elected into office and she also casted her last ballot for him in November, 2012.

Katie Sue, a true woman of God, had a longing in her Soul for Jesus. One day Mother Montgomery came to her home in Richmond, CA aka "Seaport" where they often held prayer meetings in the home. On this day they began to read the Bible, Acts 2:1-2 When the day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and filled all house where they were sitting. She was filled with the precious gift of the Holy Ghost. She would always say "AND, I'VE BEEN RUNNING EVERY SINCE!"

Later, Pastor Willie Coleman "Cookie" invited her to a little store-front Church located at 624 6th Street; later known as Bethel Temple. Katie Sue went to visit, joined and remained a member under the leaderships of the late Pastors, Elder Joseph Turner and Pastor Betty R. Hendricks and current Pastor, Elder Billy R. Wydermyer until her death.

Doing God's work is what she enjoyed. She served as President of the Mother's Board, was a member of the Mission Choir and was a dedicated member of the Kitchen committee where she served her famous delicious Rolls. She also loved singing Songs of Zion "It's So Sweet to Follow Jesus." She remained a faithful servant until her health began to decline; Revelations 2:10 be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

Preceding her in death: her Loving and devoted husband, Nathaniel Calaway Sr., 10 siblings: Mabel Ellis, Earnestine Dillard "Tina", Mattiline Calaway "Matt" , Freeman Jackson "Frit", Albert Jimmy Jackson "AJ", Willie Lee Jackson "W.L.", Roosevelt Chambers "Brother", Odell Chambers "Hoss", Orethrea Campbell "Reet", and Ruth Moore "Ruth L".

Memories will be cherished by one brother, George E. Chambers of Los Angeles, Ca. 2 Sister-in-laws, Elizabeth Jackson and Doris Chambers of Richmond, CA. 5 devoted children: Billy Craven (Sharon) of Richmond, Ca, Rhapsody Evon Cummings of Richmond, CA, Vivian Jackson of Richmond, CA, Wanda Knighten of Richmond, CA, Nathaniel Calaway Jr. (Elaine) of Stockton, CA Gayle Smith of Richmond, CA. 9 grandchildren: Shundra, Regina, Raquel LaWanna, Edric, Nicole, Chastity, Natalie, Nathaniel III, Kenny Smith Richmond, CA and Nikia Smith of Richmond, CA. 12 great - grandchildren, 2 great - great grandchildren, a sweet and longtime friend of 65 years, Willie Ella Seals and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins and friends.

Order of Service

Minister of Ceremony.....Pastor Billy R. Wydermyer

Processional.....Clergy, Family & Friends

Opening Prayer.....Pastor Billy R. Wydermyer

New Testament.....Elder Marvin Crosby

Old Testament.....Bishop Andree Jackson

Solo.....Pastor Kelly R Woods

Resolutions

Solo.....JaCoree Prothro

Acknowledgement of Condolences /Obituary.....Sheila Seals

Inspirational Selection.....Bethel Temple Choir(Collaboration)

Expressions Led by.....2 minutes please.....Pastor Robert Adams, Mother Seals, Deacon Clinton Hendricks Sr, Bethel Temple Mother's Board (Mother Helen Turner)

Slide Presentation

Eulogy.....Pastor Willie Coleman

Parting View.....Staff of Stewart's Rose Manor Funeral Home

INTERMENT

Rolling Hills Memorial Park
4100 Hilltop Drive
El Sobrante , California 94803

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever. **Amen.**



"Siblings"

A family's love is always there
A family's love will never go anywhere
A family loves with all their heart, unconditional no matter what
We laugh, we cry, but we never leave each others side
A family is one that sticks together through thick and thin and never judges one another...That's what a family's love is all about.





Mother,

Although I know you have been called home, I miss you being here. You were an inspiration to me and exemplified what a Holy woman should be. The memories I have of you will live with me always. I remember the talks, laughs and prayers that we shared.You have truly been a blessing in my life. I thank God for allowing me to be there to take care of you the way you always selflessly took care of our family. I would not have had it any other way. I know there will be many days and nights I will walk into your room and realize you're not there, but I will be comforted in knowing God knows best.

I Love you Mother,
Rhapsody (Evon)

Ma,
You will truly be missed. You brought so much joy and happiness into our lives and the love you gave us will never be forgotten. You are now our Angel watching over us and will remain in our hearts forever.

Love,
Your grandchildren, great grandchildren
and great-great grandchildren

Ma,

Words can never express how much you mean to me. I will always keep in my heart your encouraging words of wisdom and bible scriptures (Acts 2:2) you taught me down through the years. When I needed a shoulder to lean on you were always there to tell me everything will be okay. I will miss your warm hugs, smile, laughter and hearing you sing, "It's so sweet to follow Jesus". I was blessed to have you as my Great Grandmother and I wouldn't have traded you for the world!! Although you are not here physically, you will always be in my heart forever.

Love Always,
Kortney Flowers

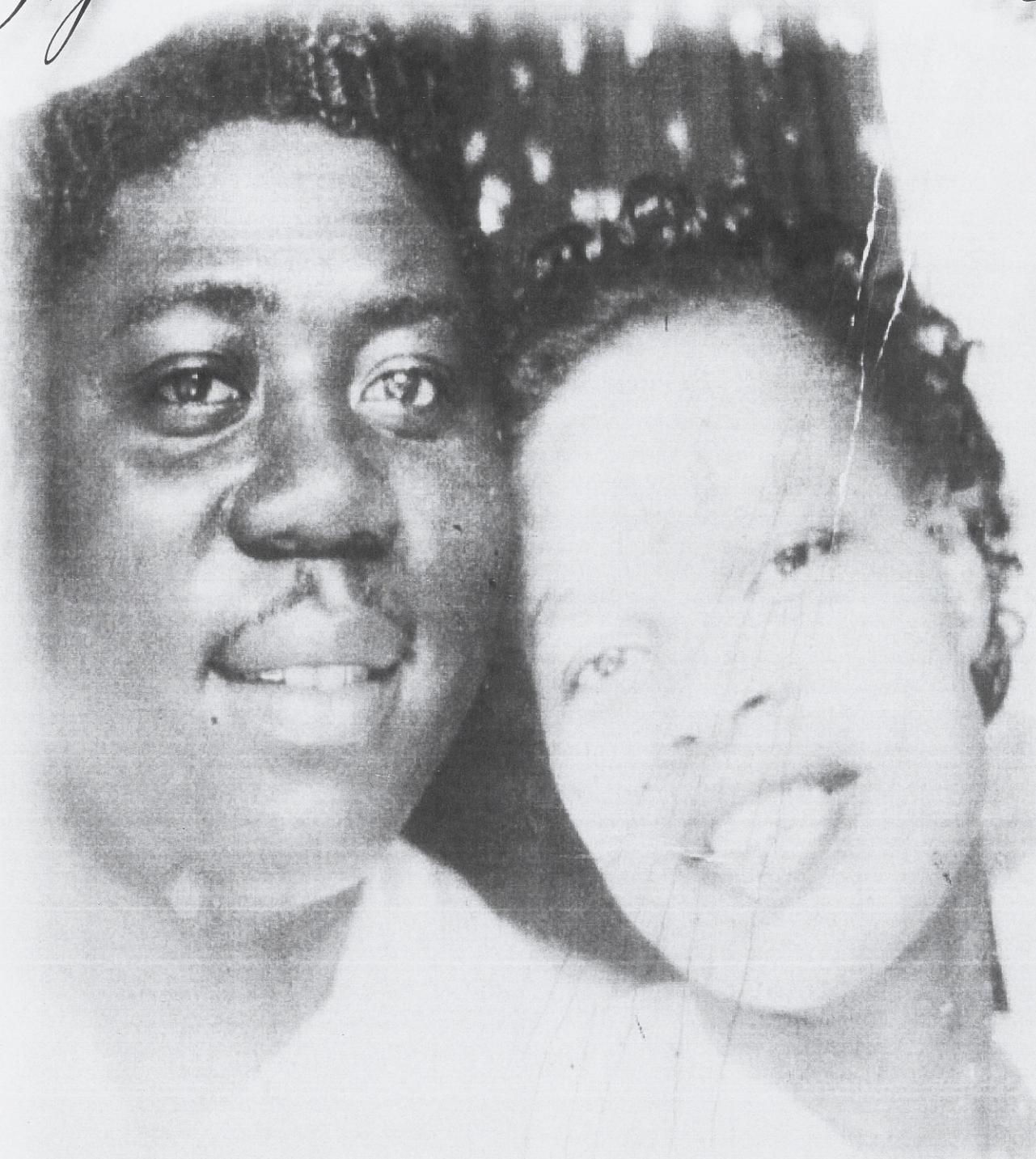




I'd like the memory ofme to be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways, of happy times
and laughing times and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun.
Of happy memories that I leave when life is done.



Together in life they Loved.



Together in death they rest with the Lord.

Pallbearers

Edric Craven
Nathaniel Calaway III
Kenneth Finley
Kenneth Smith
Randy Dillard
Gary Davis
Bernard Thorton



Honorary Pallbearers

George E. Chambers
George Calaway
Deacon Clinton Hendricks Sr.
Deacon Clemon Box
Isiah Cummings Jr.
Gary Thornton
Marvin Haskin
David Paysinger
Arthur Glen
Johnny C. Jackson

"I have only slipped away into the next room, I am I and you are you. Whatever we were to each other, that we still are. Call me by my old familiar name. Speak to me in the easy way which you always used. Play, smile, think of me. Together Again Forever.

All is Well....Ma

The family would like to express their deepest gratitude and appreciation for all of the love, kindness and thoughtful gestures that have been bestowed upon them during this time of bereavement. May the Promises in the Scriptures be our Hope Today, our Peace Tomorrow and our Comfort Forever
May God Bless You!

The Calaway Family



Final Arrangements Entrusted To

Stewart's Rose Manor Funeral Home

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